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PACKERS ARGUE FOR FOUR HOURS AGAINST HIGH COST OF LIVING EVIDENCE

Object Strenuously to Testimony Relative to Kenwood Company, the "Blind Pig" Through Which They Drew Enormous Profits.

The trial of the ten millionaire packers struck a snag today when the attorneys for the defense fought hard to prevent the introduction of any testimony relative to the affairs of the Kenwood company, which manufactures butterine and oil from packing town products.

Government attorneys could not at first understand why the packers should object so strenuously to evidence relative to the Kenwood company, when they themselves had so freely offered evidence about their giant attempt at combination in 1902.

But the reason soon became apparent to everyone in the court room.

The Kenwood company is one of the big factors in the present high price of meat. Wherefore, the packers don't want too much said about the Kenwood company.

According to the government, the Kenwood is a sort of "blind pig."

It is owned and controlled by

the men now on trial in Judge Carpenter's court room.

And, in order that they may not appear to be making a big profit out of the sale of dressed meat, the packers, as packers, sell products at a merely nominal price.

Then the Kenwood company makes huge profits out of the sale of the butterine and oleo oil manufactured from the fat it bought from the packers.

Thus, the Beef Trust books show practically no income from the sale of meat fats.

And when the people get too inquisitive about the high cost of living the Beef Trust can throw its books open, and with an injured air, point out that its gets practically nothing from the sale of the by-products of the meat.

Credulous people believe the Beef Trust, and decide that the high cost of living is some sort of phenomenon unexplainable by natural causes, or Beef Trust causes.

Then the packers change their